

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following **NEW** paragraph before the paragraph beginning on page 35, line 3:

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On page 79, line 3, please replace the original paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

-- [0153] The vector region primers used in PCR1 and PCR3 respectively had the following sequences:

5'-CTGAAGGCGGGAAACGACAATCTG-3'; (SEQ ID NO: 139) and

5'-AACTGCACTTCAAACAAGTGTGAC-3'.(SEQ ID NO: 140) --

On page 79, line 7, please replace the original paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

--[0154] The genomic DNA fragment specific primers used in PCR1 had the following sequences:

AS4 : 5' - GATTCCGACCTCTACACGAACAAC - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 141)

AS8 : 5' - AGAAACCCTAGCCGTCCTTCCCT - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 142)

AS19 : 5' - TCAAGTCATTTCACAAAGTCGGAC - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 143)

AS20 : 5' - GCTTAGAGGTGAAAATGGTAACGG - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 144)

AS22 : 5' - TTCTGTCCTTGTTTCGATTGTGTCAG - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 145)

AS27 : 5' - CCGGATTCACCGTGGTACGAAAGG - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 146)

AS28 : 5' - TTCCAATTACCAGACACTAAAGCG - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 147)

AS30 : 5' - TGGCACCAGACTTGCCCTCCAATG - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 148)--

On page 79, line 18, please replace the original paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

--[0155] The genomic DNA fragment specific primers used in PCR3 had the following sequences:

AS4 : 5' - GTACGGCCTGGGTCCTCACTGTC - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 149)

AS8 : 5' - TCATCATCCTGTTATCTAGACTCC - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 150)

AS19 : 5' - TACTTATTCCGTGAGTCGGAAGCG - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 151)

AS20 : 5' - TCCAGTGTTATGATGTTTGGGCTG - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 152)

AS22 : 5' - AACTCATCTTTAATCCCAGTTTGC - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 153)

AS27 : 5' - TAACGCCATAAACAAGTGTCCTC - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 154)

AS28 : 5' - GAACTGTGAACTGCGAATGGCTC - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 155)

AS30 : 5' - AAATCCACACGACTCTCGGCAACG - 3' (SEQ ID NO: 156)--

On page 80, line 1, please replace the original paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

--[0156] The genomic DNA fragments AS4, AS8 and AS22 were also subjected to PCR to verify the presence of central portions of fragment (as indicated by PCR2 in Fig. 8). The primers used in PCR2 had the following sequences:

AS4: 5'-TGGGCTCCAGCAGAAACGAACCCT-3' (SEQ ID NO: 157) and

5'-CTTATATTTAGGAACGGAGTGAGT-3' (SEQ ID NO: 158)

AS8: 5'-AAGCGAAGGCACCCCTTCACAT-3' (SEQ ID NO: 159) and

5'-ACGAGGAGCCCGACAAGGAGAC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 160)

AS22: 5'-TGAAATACCACTCATGAACTTCCG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 161) and

5'-ATTATCTGTTGTGTCCGAAATGTG-3'. (SEQ ID NO: 162)--